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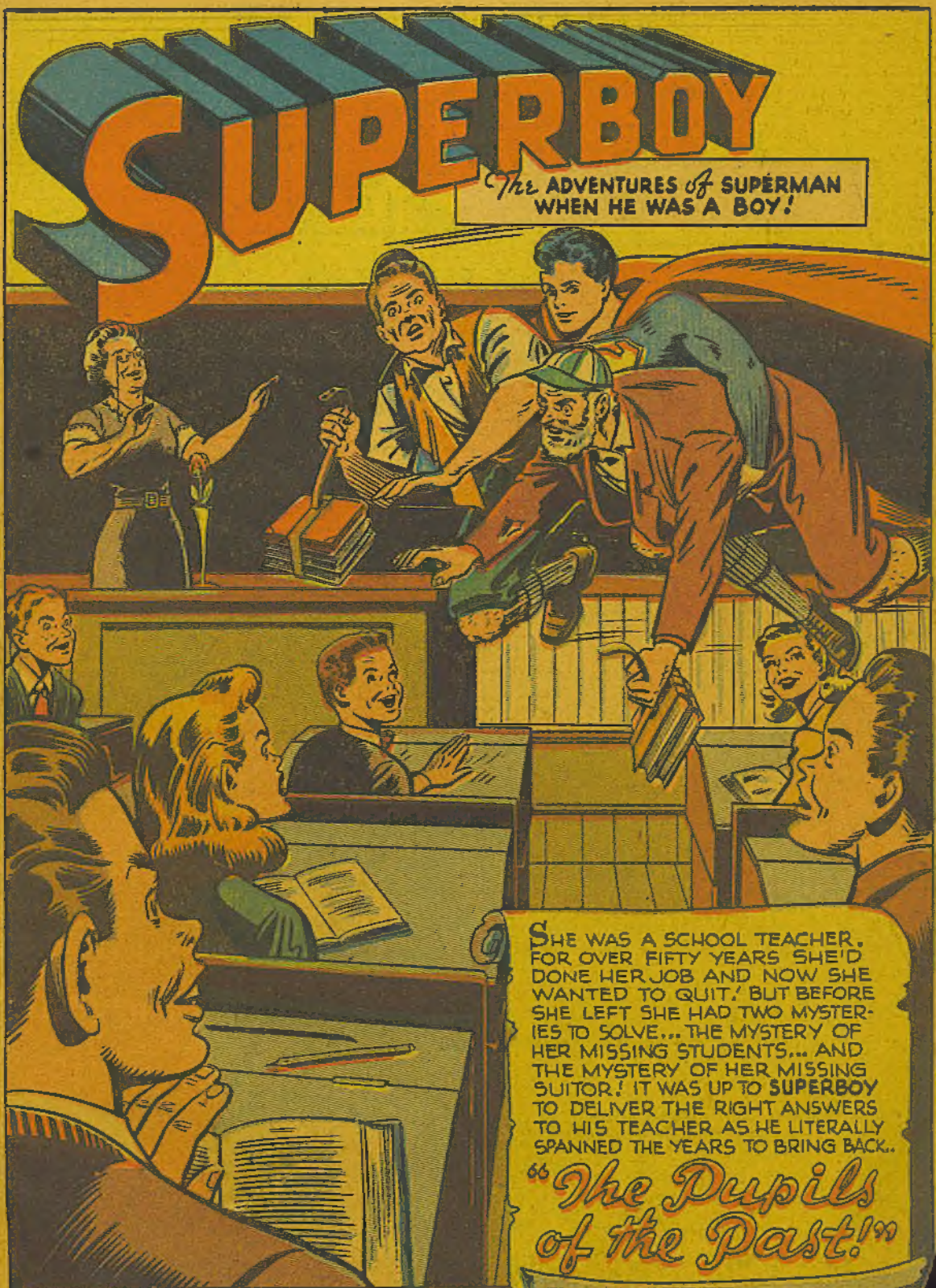

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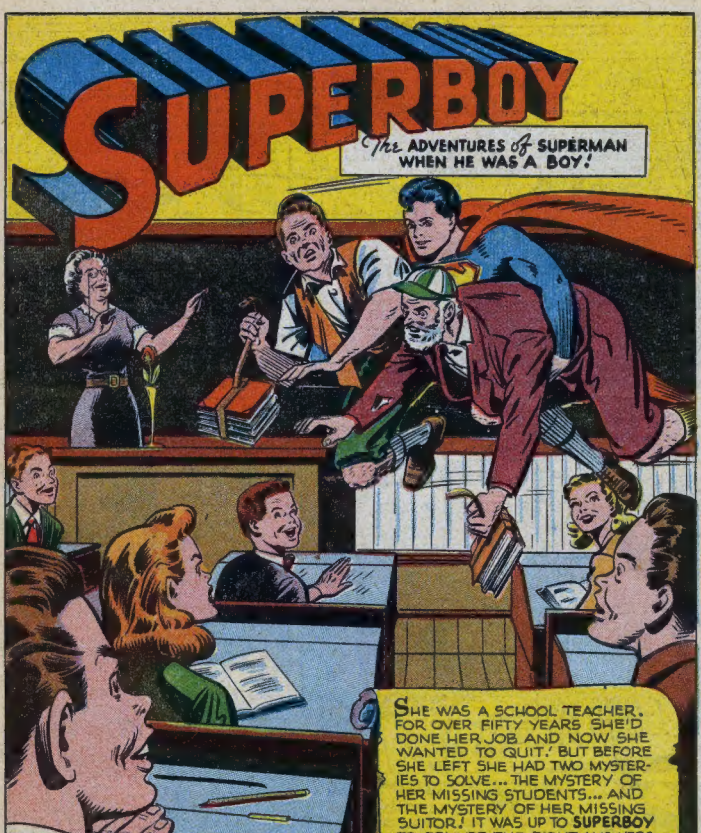

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MISS SHIPLEY, OLDEST AND BEST LOVED TEACHER IN SCHOOL, HAS TAUGHT HER LAST CLASS...
CHILDREN, TOMORROW WILL BE MY FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY AS A SCHOOL TEACHER... I'VE DECIDED TO RETIRE!
GOLLY!
OH, NO!
THE NEWS SPREADS LIKE WILDFIRE AND SPURS THE PRINCIPAL TO QUICK ACTION...
THIS CALLS FOR A FAREWELL CELEBRATION! NOTIFY ALL TEACHERS! WE'LL ARRANGE A BIG DINNER IN HER HONOR!
THE SCHOOL PUPILS INTEND TO JOIN IN THE TRIBUTE, AND SOON AFTER...
BEST
WE'LL MISS YOU!
TOSS IN PENNIES, NICKELS..ANYTHING YOU CAN SPARE!
IT'LL ALL BE SPENT ON A GOOD-BYE PRESENT!
EVEN THE SCHOOL HANDYMAN MAKES A CONTRIBUTION...
A FIVE-DOLLAR BILL! GEE, THANKS, MR. WILLS!
GOOD-BYE MISS SHIPLEY
AND WHEN CLARK EXPLAINS TO MISS SHIPLEY...
BLESS YOU, CLARK, I DON'T REALLY NEED ANYTHING! I HAVE MY MEMORIES! THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ME! I'VE TAUGHT SO MANY CHILDREN... SO MANY...
LATER...
NOW, WHAT SHALL WE BUY MISS SHIPLEY?
I'LL TALK TO HER AND TRY TO FIND OUT WHAT SHE'D LIKE!

"ONE BECAME A SENATOR..."
THE SENATOR FROM OHIO HAS THE FLOOR!
"ANOTHER WORKED ON THE ATOMIC BOMB..."
WAIT... I DO WANT SOMETHING! I'D LIKE TO SEE MY FOUR MOST FAVORITE PUPILS OF THE PAST BEFORE I RETIRE!
ALBUM
THE YELLOWED PAGES OF A TIME-WORN ALBUM RECALL THE TEACHER'S FAVORITE STUDENTS...
EDWARD... HE WANTED TO BE AN ENGINEER! AND MARK... HE WAS GOING TO BE A HUNTER!
To the best teacher I ever had. Edward Dexter 1913
Best Wishes Mark Rice 1920
PAUL... HE WANTED TO BE A FINANCIER! AND PETER... DEAR, DEAR PETER...
To a swell Prexy. Paul High 1931
To my teacher Peter Wyzymyk 1898
"I WAS TEACHING NIGHT SCHOOL TO ADULTS, AND PETER WAS A POOR IMMIGRANT BOY JUST ARRIVED FROM POLAND..."
I READ POETRY GOOD TODAY?
YES, PETER! YOU READ POETRY WITH GREAT UNDERSTANDING!
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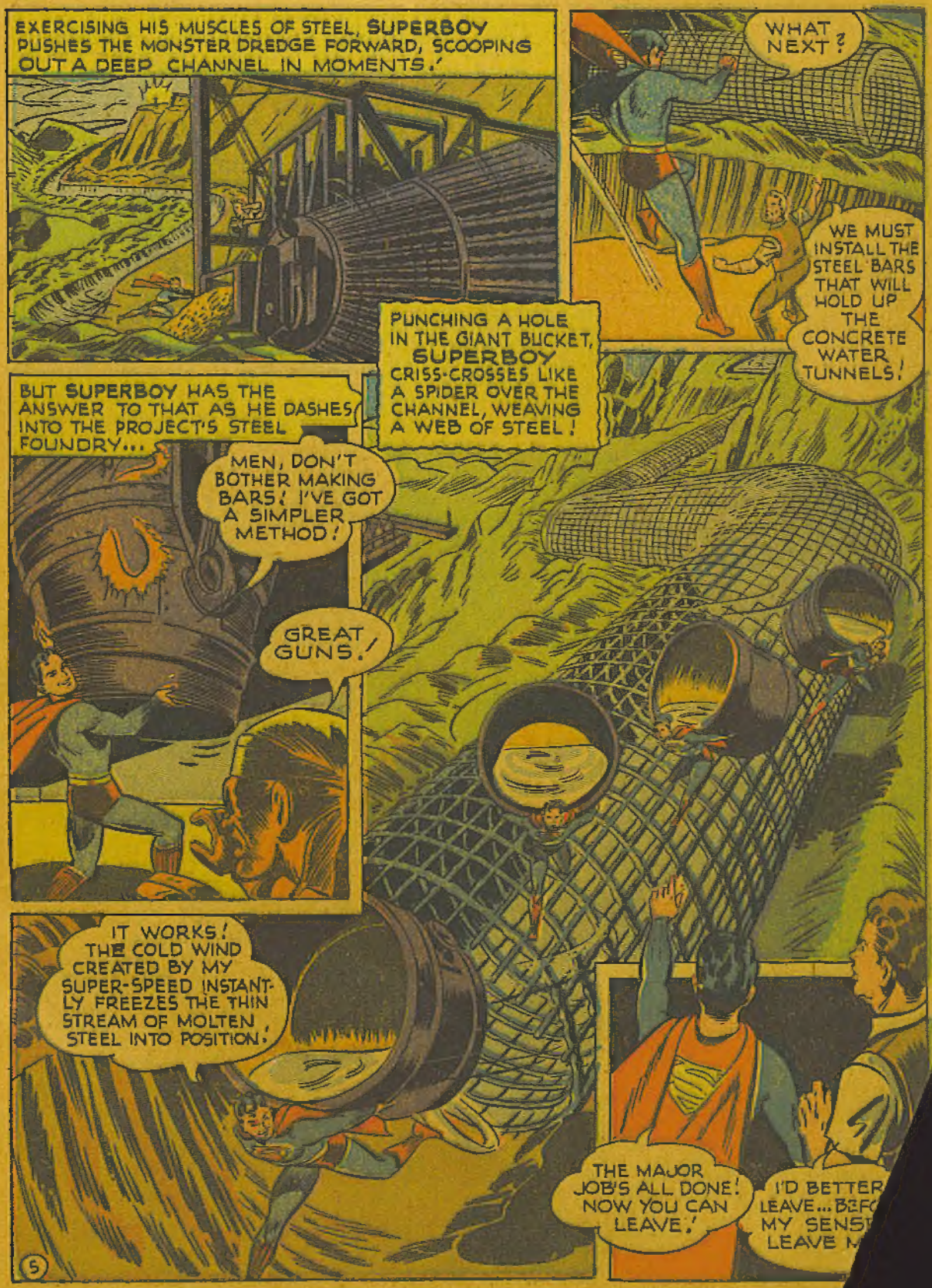
"THEN ONE DAY HE GRADUATED! I GAVE HIM A BOOK OF POETRY AS A PARTING GIFT! I NEVER SAW HIM AGAIN!"
THANK YOU FOR BOOK! SOME DAY I COME BACK!
I..I.. HOPE YOU WILL, PETER!
POEMS BY ROBERT BURNS
ALL THAT'S PAST.' BUT I WANT ONE MORE THING CLEARED UP! EVERY MORNING FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS SOMEONE HAS PUT A FRESH ROSE ON MY DESK AND I DON'T KNOW WHO DOES IT!
LATER...
NOW IT'S UP TO SUPERBOY TO FIND THOSE MISSING PUPILS AND CLEAR UP A MYSTERY!
SWIFTLY CONSULTING RECORDS, SUPERBOY TRACKS DOWN THE FIRST NAME — EDWARD DEXTER.
THERE'S ED! HE WANTED TO BE AN ENGINEER- AND BECAME ONE!
AFTER SUPERBOY EXPLAINS HIS MISSION...
SURE, I'D LIKE TO SEE MISS SHIPLEY AGAIN, BUT I'M IN CHARGE OF THIS IRRIGATION PROJECT AND CAN'T LEAVE UNTIL THE MAJOR WORK IS DONE!
THAT'S SIMPLE ENOUGH! DRIVER, MIND IF I INCREASE THE HORSEPOWER OF YOUR MACHINE?
IT'S A PLEASURE, SUPERBOY!


EXERCISING HIS MUSCLES OF STEEL, SUPERBOY PUSHES THE MONSTER DREDGE FORWARD, SCOOPING OUT A DEEP CHANNEL IN MOMENTS!
WHAT NEXT?
WE MUST INSTALL THE STEEL BARS THAT WILL HOLD UP THE CONCRETE WATER TUNNELS!
PUNCHING A HOLE IN THE GIANT BUCKET, SUPERBOY CRISS-CROSSES LIKE A SPIDER OVER THE CHANNEL, WEAVING A WEB OF STEEL!
BUT SUPERBOY HAS THE ANSWER TO THAT AS HE DASHES INTO THE PROJECT'S STEEL FOUNDRY...
MEN, DON'T BOTHER MAKING BARS! I'VE GOT A SIMPLER METHOD!
GREAT GUNS!
IT WORKS! THE COLD WIND CREATED BY MY SUPER-SPEED INSTANTLY FREEZES THE THIN STREAM OF MOLTEN STEEL INTO POSITION!
THE MAJOR JOB'S ALL DONE! NOW YOU CAN LEAVE!
I'D BETTER LEAVE... BEF
MY SENS
LEAVE M
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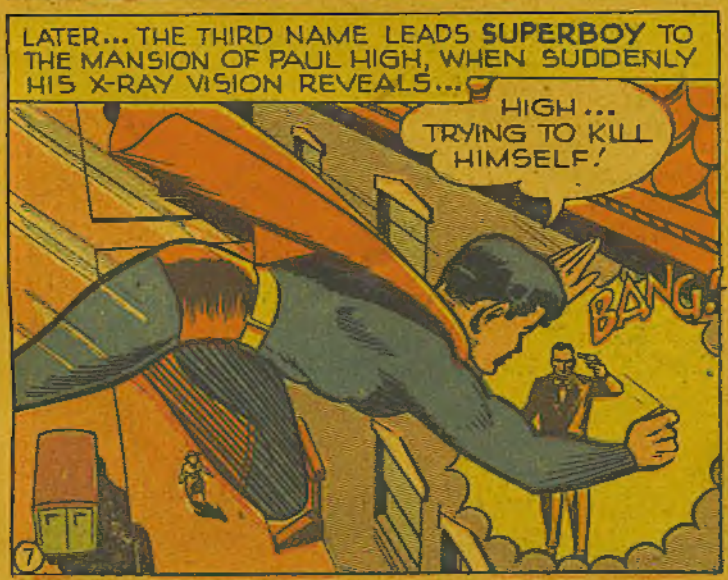
LATER... TRACKING DOWN THE SECOND NAME, SUPERBOY VISITS THE HUNTERS' CLUB!
MARK RICE? THE LAST I HEARD OF HIM HE WAS STRANDED ON THE COAST OF AFRICA!
SOON AFTER, SUPERBOY FINDS HIS MAN... A HUMAN DERELICT BEACHED ON THE SANDS!
MARK RICE, I PRESUME!
WELL... A VOICE FROM HOME! IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME!
SWIFTLY SUPERBOY EXPLAINS HIS PRESENCE...
HOW CAN I LET MISS SHIPLEY SEE ME LIKE THIS? I'VE FAILED AS A HUNTER. I HAD A CARGO OF WILD ANIMALS, BUT THE SHIP BURNED!
PERHAPS WE CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT!
FIRST I'LL NEED SOME TREES!
THE FLAT OF SUPERBOY'S HAND SERVES AS A BLADE TO SHEAR OFF UNWANTED BRANCHES...
TREES HAVE TO BE CLEAN!
THEN, WITH INCREDIBLE RAPIDITY, SUPERBOY PLANTS THE LOGS IN A WIDE CIRCLE!
THERE.. THAT TAKES CARE OF THE STOCKADE!

WHY ARE YOU SETTING FIRE TO THE BRANCHES?
BECAUSE I JUST GOT A HOT IDEA!

NOW SUPERBOY MOVES SO SWIFTLY THROUGH THE WOODS THAT THE FLAMING TORCH CREATES THE ILLUSION OF A FOREST FIRE!

FOOLED INTO BELIEVING THE JUNGLE IS AFIRE, THE ANIMALS STAMPEDE FROM THE FLAMES!

INSTINCTIVELY, THE JUNGLE BEASTS HEAD FOR THE SHORE AND ARE TRAPPED INSIDE THE WAITING STOCKADE.
THEY'RE ALL SET TO BE SOLD TO CIRCUSES AND ZOOS!
AND I'M ALL SET FOR MISS SHIPLEY'S PARTY! THANKS, SUPERBOY!


LATER... THE THIRD NAME LEADS SUPERBOY TO THE MANSION OF PAUL HIGH, WHEN SUDDENLY HIS X-RAY VISION REVEALS...
HIGH... TRYING TO KILL HIMSELF!
BANG!
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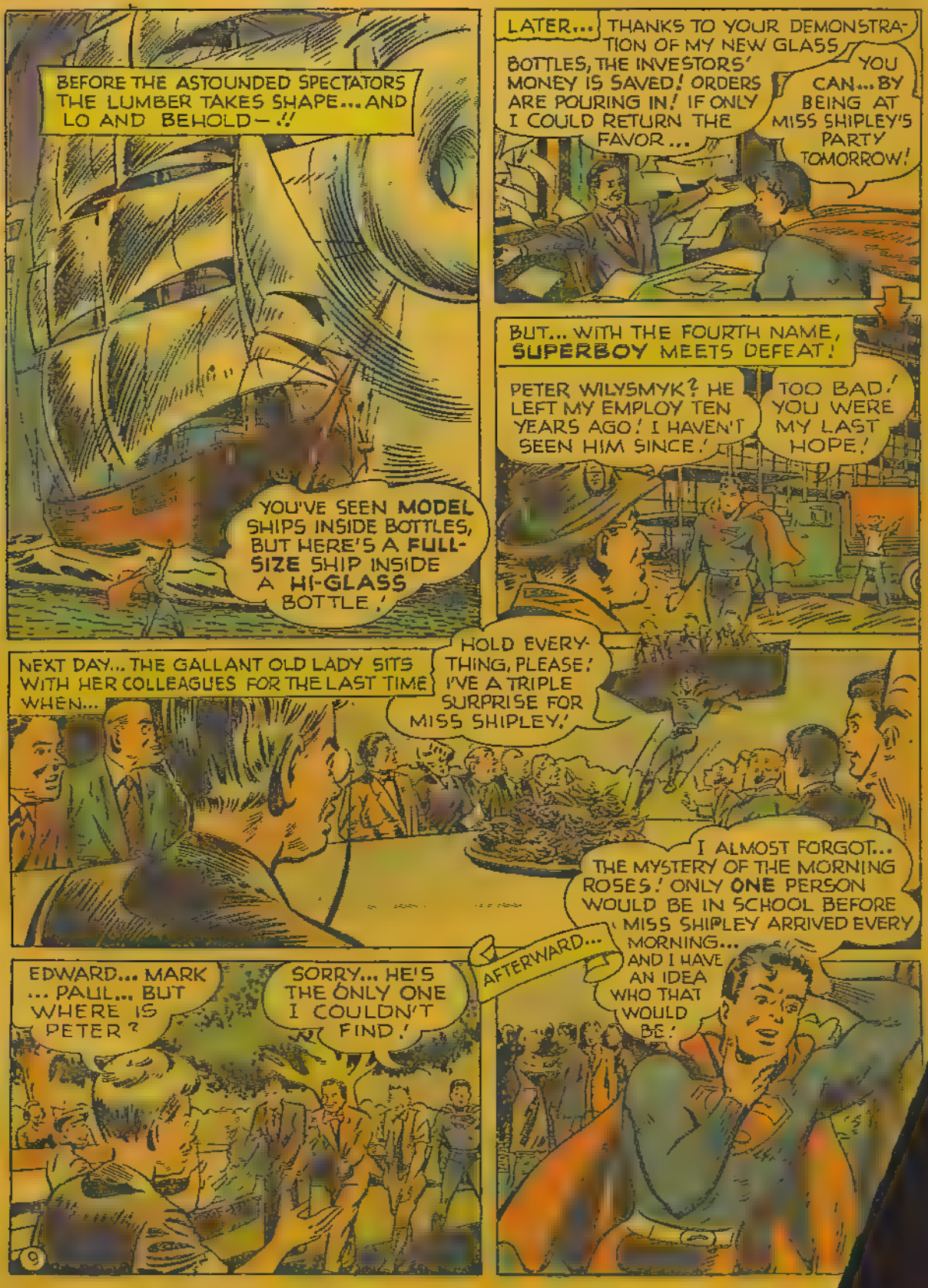
SWIFTER THAN THE SPEED OF A BULLET, SUPERBOY FLASHES FORWARD...
WHAT..?
WAIT, FELLOW! THINGS CAN'T BE THIS BAD!

UNDER SUPERBOY'S PROMPTING, HIGH TELLS HIS STORY...
I HAD FRIENDS INVEST IN MY GLASS BOTTLING COMPANY! BUT IT'S A FAILURE! I CAN'T FACE THEM AND TELL THEM I'VE LOST THEIR LIFE SAVINGS...
YOU WON'T HAVE TO! LISTEN... I WANT YOU TO RENT THE BASEBALL STADIUM...
FOLLOWING SUPERBOY'S INSTRUCTIONS, SIGNS ARE PUT UP...
SUPERBOY IN PERSON
AT THE STADIUM
The HI-CLASS BOTTLING CO.
WELCOMES YOU
NO ADMISSION CHARGE
I WOULDN'T MISS THIS!
I WONDER WHAT SUPERBOY'S GOING TO DO?
TOWER
AT THAT VERY MOMENT SUPERBOY IS REHEARSING FOR THE JOB OF GLASS BLOWER!
WHAT LUNG POWER! THAT BOTTLE GETS BIGGER EVERY SECOND!
HOW BIG IS HE GOING TO MAKE THE BOTTLE
AT THE STADIUM, THE RESULT IS SOON ON EXHIBITION...
GOLLY!
IT'S TREMENDOUS!
AMAZING!
THEN, WITH LUMBER AND MATERIALS, SUPERBOY GOES TO WORK INSIDE THE BOTTLE!


BEFORE THE ASTOUNDED SPECTATORS THE LUMBER TAKES SHAPE... AND LO AND BEHOLD—!!
YOU'VE SEEN MODEL SHIPS INSIDE BOTTLES, BUT HERE'S A FULL-SIZE SHIP INSIDE A HI-GLASS BOTTLE!
LATER... THANKS TO YOUR DEMONSTRATION OF MY NEW GLASS BOTTLES, THE INVESTORS' MONEY IS SAVED! ORDERS ARE POURING IN! IF ONLY I COULD RETURN THE FAVOR...
YOU CAN... BY BEING AT MISS SHIPLEY'S PARTY TOMORROW!
BUT... WITH THE FOURTH NAME, SUPERBOY MEETS DEFEAT!
PETER WILYSMYK? HE LEFT MY EMPLOY TEN YEARS AGO! I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM SINCE!
TOO BAD! YOU WERE MY LAST HOPE!
NEXT DAY... THE GALLANT OLD LADY SITS WITH HER COLLEAGUES FOR THE LAST TIME WHEN...
HOLD EVERYTHING, PLEASE! I'VE A TRIPLE SURPRISE FOR MISS SHIPLEY!
I ALMOST FORGOT... THE MYSTERY OF THE MORNING ROSES! ONLY ONE PERSON WOULD BE IN SCHOOL BEFORE MISS SHIPLEY ARRIVED EVERY MORNING... AND I HAVE AN IDEA WHO THAT WOULD BE!
AFTERWARD...
EDWARD... MARK ... PAUL... BUT WHERE IS PETER?
SORRY... HE'S THE ONLY ONE I COULDN'T FIND!
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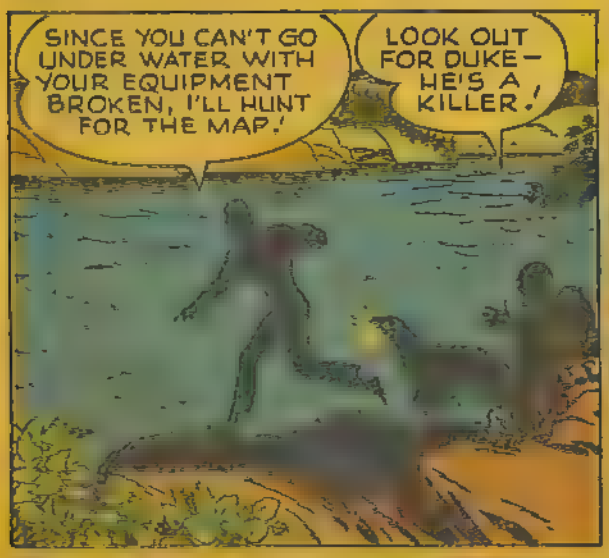
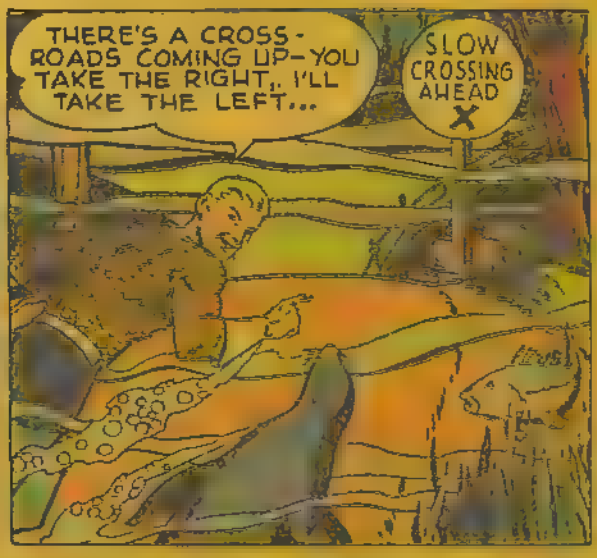
FOLLOWING HIS HUNCH, SUPERBOY TURNS HIS X-RAY VISION ON A MAN WHO STANDS ALONE IN THE BACKGROUND...
THE BOOK OF POETRY SHE GAVE HIM! HE'S KEPT IT ALL THESE YEARS!
THE NEXT MOMENT...
HERE'S YOUR MISSING PUPIL... PETER WILYSMYK... ALIAS PETER WILLS- THE SCHOOL HANDY MAN!
PETER... WHY DIDN'T YOU EVER TELL ME?
WE-ELL... YOU ARE EDUCATED WOMAN... ME... I'M PLAIN FELLOW! I AM ASHAMED TO LET YOU KNOW!
WHEN I LEAVE HERE YEARS AGO, I WORK HARD, SEND SISTERS TO COLLEGE! TEN YEARS AGO I HEAR YOU STILL HERE, SO I COME BACK, TAKE HANDY MAN JOB TO BE NEAR YOU...
TEN YEARS AGO?
DEAR PETER... YOU... YOU'VE BEEN PUTTING THE ROSES ON MY DESK!
ROSES... FOR LOVE! (GULP) MISS SHIPLEY, I HAVE MONEY SAVED! I WANT TO RETIRE, TOO! (GULP) W-WOULD YOU ... M-MARRY ME?
LATER... WHEN SUPERBOY RESUMES HIS EVERY DAY IDENTITY...
WELL, CLARK, DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE GOODBYE PRESENT?
DON'T YOU THINK WE'D BETTER CHANGE IT TO A WEDDING PRESENT?
THE END

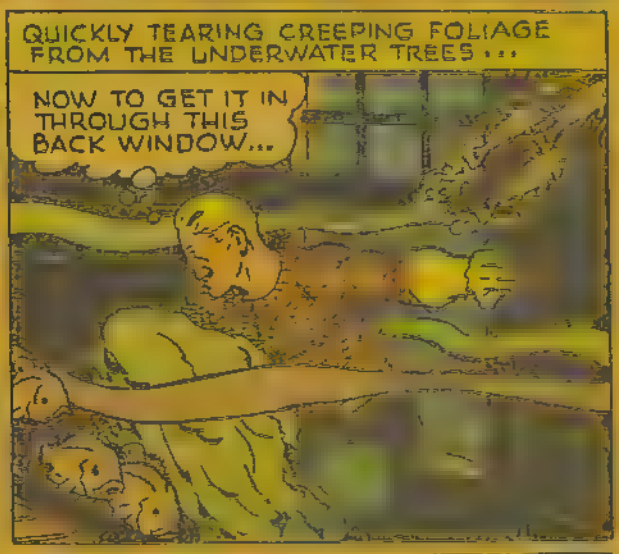
AQUAMAN
IT WAS A SIMPLE CASE OF A HOUSE UNDERWATER AND A SHIP IN A BOTTLE AND A LAKE MADE BY HAND. AND IT ALL STARTED INNOCENTLY ENOUGH WHEN AQUAMAN TOOK A VACATION—WHICH VERY NEARLY TURNED OUT TO BE A PERMANENT VACATION FROM LIFE, AS MEN FOUGHT FOR...
"The TREASURE BENEATH THE LAKE!"
AQUAMAN AND HIS WATER-FRIEND ARK, THE SEAL, INVESTIGATE NEW WATERS, THE GREAT MAN-MADE LAKE CREATED BY BRENTWOOD DAM.
NOW FOR A NICE QUIET VACATION, ARK. LAST ONE IN IS A LAND-LUBBER.!
THERE STILL ARE TREES, ROADS— AND MAYBE EVEN HOUSES DOWN HERE.!

SUDDENLY...
LOOK THERE, ARK— THREE DIVERS ATTACKING ANOTHER.'
THREE'S A CROWD, GUYS— LET'S MAKE IT A FAIR FIGHT!
IT'S AQUAMAN— LET'S GET OUTA HERE.'
THEY TORE OFF HIS HELMET! WE'LL HAVE TO GET THIS FELLOW TOPSIDE BEFORE HE DROWNS.'
GLUB.. GURGLE.. HELP...
THE RESCUED VICTIM, FRANK FOGARTY, EXPLAINS...
YOU'RE ALL RIGHT NOW... JUST TAKE IT EASY.
(GULP) NEVER THOUGHT I'D BE BREATHING AGAIN.' THAT GANGSTER DUKE WOULD HAVE HAD ME IN ANOTHER MINUTE.'
I WAS TRYING TO FIND THE CABIN WHERE MY OLD PARTNER, STUMPY HENRY, HID THE SECRET OF HIS FORTUNE IN GOLD DUST BEFORE HE WAS KILLED.'
DUKE AND HIS THUGS KILLED HIM FOR IT.' BUT HE HAD HIDDEN THE MAP IN A TOY SHIP IN A BOTTLE— AND NOW HIS CABIN IS UNDER ALL THAT WATER.
HERE GOES MY VACATION— BECAUSE CRIME NEVER SEEMS TO TAKE ONE.


SINCE YOU CAN'T GO UNDER WATER WITH YOUR EQUIPMENT BROKEN, I'LL HUNT FOR THE MAP!
LOOK OUT FOR DUKE— HE'S A KILLER!


THERE'S A CROSS-ROADS COMING UP—YOU TAKE THE RIGHT,. I'LL TAKE THE LEFT...
SLOW CROSSING AHEAD

THAT MUST BE THE CABIN— AND THE DUKE'S MEN HAVE FOUND IT, TOO!
BUT I'VE GOT AN IDEA!


QUICKLY TEARING CREEPING FOLIAGE FROM THE UNDERWATER TREES...
NOW TO GET IT IN THROUGH THIS BACK WINDOW...

WHOOO! AHOOOOO!
A GHOST! THIS PLACE IS HAUNTED!

THEY MUST HAVE WATER IN THEIR VEINS! NOW TO FIND THAT TOY SHIP IN A BOTTLE...

AQUAMAN-LOOKS IN THE LOGICAL PLACE— THE MANTELPIECE—BUT...
NOT THERE! NOW WHERE WOULD HE HAVE KEPT IT, IF NOT ON THE MANTLE?
SUDDENLY THE ANSWER COMES TO AQUAMAN, AND...
THEY FORGOT IT WOULD FLOAT—SO IT ROSE TO THE ROOF HERE WHEN THE SHACK WAS FLOODED!
BUT AT THAT MOMENT...
THANKS FOR FINDING THE SECRET, AQUAMAN— AND NOW SLEEP IN THE DEEP!
CLUNK!
OOOOH!
SECONDS LATER...
THERE'S YOUR GHOST—A LITTLE WORSE FOR WEAR! AND HE FOUND THE MAP FOR ME!
AS AQUAMAN REVIVES, HE WITNESSES A STRANGE SCENE...
GET DOWN INTO THE HOLD— ALL OF YOU! ANY ONE OF YOU WOULD KILL ME FOR A QUARTER—AND I'M NOT GOING TO SHARE THE FORTUNE!
LISTEN, DUKE—YOU GOT THIS THING WRONG!
HE'S GOING TO KILL HIS OWN HIRED KILLERS!
GET ALONG—I'M IN A HURRY FOR THAT GOLD!
CONTINUED ON 2ND PAGE FOLLOWING...

YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE BOTHERED SAVING FOGARTY. HE'S A COWARD. HE DIDN'T INTERFERE WHEN I KILLED HIS PAL, STUMPY HENRY!
YOU'RE THE MOST COLD-BLOODED KILLER I EVER MET!
SO LONG, AQUAMAN—YOU HAVE A FEW MINUTES TO LIVE! I'LL WATCH THE FIREWORKS FROM MY SEAPLANE...
S-S-S-S-
THAT'S AN UNLUCKY TREASURE-MAP—IT HAS BLOOD ON IT, DUKE!
ONLY SECONDS TO GO... ARK, ARK, WHERE ARE YOU?
AT THE LAST SECOND, ARK ARRIVES!..
ARK! YOU MADE IT!
ARK CRASHES INTO AQUAMAN, TOPPLING HIM OVER THE SIDE!..
SPLASH!
BOOM!!

SECONDS LATER, WRECKAGE FROM THE BLAST FLOATS DOWN...
THAT WAS CLOSE, ARK! NOW TO GET OUT OF THESE ROPES— THAT KILLER WILL GET AWAY IN A MINUTE OR TWO.
A SHARP EDGE OF STEEL FLOATS DOWN...
HOLD IT TIGHT, ARK— I'LL BE FREE IN A JIFFY...
HE'S TAKING OFF! HE'LL GET AWAY WITH THE TREASURE SECRET! THERE'S ONE CHANCE...
WITH AMAZING SPEED...
AQUAMAN WORKS UP TERRIFIC MOMENTUM...
THEN HURTLES UPWARD LIKE A FLYING FISH TOWARD THE PLANE!
NOW FOR THE LAST ACT!

GREETINGS, KILLER!
AQUAMAN AGAIN!
HERE'S WHERE DUKE TAKES THE COUNT!
OOOF!
DUKE SMASHES AGAINST THE CONTROLS, AND THE PLANE CRASHES!
HE DROWNED—AT THE SCENE OF HIS KILLINGS! NOW TO GET FOGARTY AND FIND THE TREASURE!
BUT THE TREASURE...
THE MAP SHOWS THE TREASURE WAS HIDDEN HERE—RIGHT ON THE SPOT WHERE THE DAM WAS BUILT! IT'S BURIED FOREVER UNDER MILLIONS OF TONS OF STONE AND STEEL!
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP—BUT I DIDN'T DESERVE IT! I FAILED STUMPY—BUT I'VE LEARNED A NEW COURAGE FROM YOU!
THEN YOU'VE FOUND THE GREATEST TREASURE IN THE WORLD!
THE END

THE GREEN ARROW
YOUNG BOBBIE WAS AN AMATEUR MAGICIAN. HE HAD READ THE BOOK OF TRICKS AND COULD MAKE A TOY ELEPHANT VANISH, OR COULD MAKE AN EGG COME OUT OF YOUR EAR. BUT THEN CAME HIS BIG TEST... COULD HE MAKE MAGIC THAT COULD STOP A KILLER'S GUNS? WELL, YOU'LL BE SURPRISED, JUST AS WERE THE GREEN ARROW AND SPEEDY, WHOSE OWN MAGIC WITH A BOW AND ARROW ADD A BLAZING FINISH TO THE CURIOUS CASE OF THE BOY DETECTIVE!
NIGHT FALLS... AND IN A DESERTED WARE-HOUSE WE SEE ...
GATHER CLOSE, BOYS, AND GAZE ON A PIECE OF CELLULOID WORTH A FORTUNE.' IT'S THE BIGGEST HAUL WE'VE MADE.'
GEE, PINCH-FACE.' DIS IS EXCITIN.''
UNDER A STRONG LIGHT, THE TINY FILM SHOWS...
THERE SHE IS — FULL DETAILS OF THE LATEST BOMB INVENTION.' WE'RE AUCTIONING IT OFF TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.'
Geo Papp

SUDDENLY...
COPPERS! SOMEONE SQUEALED!
GET 'EM!
QUICK, WHITEY— UNDER THE TABLE!
IN THE CONFUSION, PINCH FACE ROLLS THE FILM INTO A CARTRIDGE CASE, THEN...
THERE—NOW THE PLANS ARE SAFE.'
COME ON, WHITEY.' THROUGH THE ESCAPE HATCH.' HA,HA! LET THE BOYS TAKE ON THE COPS.'
BELOW, THE TWO HAVE SEPARATED...
WHITEY!
WHERE ARE YOU? SO YOU WERE THE DOUBLE-CROSSER.' I'LL GET YOU FOR THIS.'
FAR FROM PINCH FACE, AT ONE OF THE EXITS...
HA, HA.' I'VE LOST HIM AND I'VE GOT THE FILM.' NOW ALL I NEED IS TIME!
LATER, WHITEY ARRIVES HOME...
WHITEY.' I WAS BEGINNING TO WORRY ABOUT YOU.'
EVERYTHING CAME OUT ALL RIGHT.' HMM... I SEE BOBBIE'S STILL PLAYING MAGICIAN.'
WATCH, DADDY.' A NEW TRICK.'
SEE, DADDY.' I PUT A CLOTH OVER THE ELEPHANT, THEN...
PRESTO! IT VANISHES.'
TRAP DOOR IN TABLE!

BY GOLLY! NOW IT'S EGGS AND CARDS APPEARING FROM NOWHERE!
OF COURSE, IT'S JUST SLEIGHT OF HAND BUT IT CAN FOOL PEOPLE!
BUT BOBBIE'S FATHER IS NOT IN THE MOOD FOR MAGIC...
BOLT THE DOOR! IT'S TIME FOR BED! NO MORE TRICKS TONIGHT!
TIME! ALL I NEED IS A LITTLE TIME BEFORE THEY CATCH ME!
FROM THE MYSTERY OF THE FILM, WE TURN THE NEXT NIGHT TO OLIVER QUEEN AND ROY HARPER...
TWO OF THE CROOKS ESCAPED THE POLICE RAID AND MADE OFF WITH THE SECRET POCKET BOMB PLANS!
HEAR THAT, ROY? WE MISSED SOME FUN LAST NIGHT.
... DETECTIVES ARE STILL TRYING TO TRACE PINCH FACE WHO IS BELIEVED TO HAVE THE FILM...
MAYBE IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO GET IN THE ACT!
RIGHT, G.A.! LET'S GET MOVING!
THEN AS THE TWO BATTLING BOWMEN MAKE THEIR WAY INTO THE NIGHT...
...STILL ANOTHER DRAMA BEGINS TO UNFOLD! FOR BACK AT WHITEY'S HOUSE WE SEE...
SO THIS IS WHAT I SAW DADDY HIDING IN THE FLOWER POT! IT'S THE MISSING FILM THAT THE PAPERS ARE TALKING ABOUT...

MOMENTS LATER...
DADDY'S A CROOK! HE STOLE THE FILM! BUT THEY WON'T CATCH HIM! I'LL TAKE IT TO THE POLICE AND MAYBE THEY'LL LET HIM OFF EASY!
BUT SINISTER FIGURES WATCH THE HOUSE. NOW...
NO SIGN OF WHITEY COMIN' OUT, BOSS... AN' BREAKIN' IN DA PLACE WOULD WAKE DA WHOLE TOWN!
LOOK! THERE'S WHITEY'S BRAT! MAYBE THIS IS EVEN BETTER!
NO... I DON'T WANT TO GET IN YOUR OLD CAR!
NOW ISN'T THAT TOO BAD! THROW THE BRAT IN!
OKAY, PINCH FACE...WIT' PLEASURE!
YOU'RE GOING TO STAY WITH US, SONNY... UNTIL WHITEY RETURNS—ER—A CERTAIN SNAPSHOT HE STOLE FROM ME!
SNAPSHOT! YOU MEAN THE SECRET PLANS ON THE FILM! BUT YOU WON'T GET IT!
SEE! THERE IT IS!
THE KID'S RIGHT, BOSS! HE HAS GOT IT!
YES, BUT NOT FOR LONG! I'M TAKING OVER RIGHT NOW!
REMEMBER BOBBIE'S HOBBY? HE PRACTICES MAGIC!—SO WATCH WHAT OCCURS BEFORE THE AMAZED CROOKS' EYES!
I SAID YOU'D NEVER GET IT! NOW WATCH—PRESTO!
POOF!
UPON MY WORD! IT'S VANISHED! RIGHT INTO THIN AIR!

GEE, BOSS! REAL MAGIC! DA FILM AIN'T UP DA BRAT'S SLEEVES OR ON DA FLOOR!
YOU'LL NEVER TAKE IT FROM ME!
NO? WE'LL SEE, SONNY!
WORK HIM OVER, HOOKER! HE'LL TALK—OR ELSE...
SURE, BOSS! OUCH! AN ARROW!
IN THE MOMENT THAT FOLLOWS, TWO COLORFUL FIGURES HURTLE FROM ABOVE...
HEY, PINCH FACE! IT'S DEM ARROW GUYS!
BAM
GET THIS CAR MOVING! FAST!
MADE IT! AND NOT A SECOND TOO SOON!
BUT HOW DO WE STAY UP HERE, G.A.?
YES, SPEEDY—HOW WILL YOU STAY UP THERE? FOR NOW THE CAR TURNS, HEADS TOWARD LOW-HANGING STREET CAR WIRES!...
DRIVE UNDER THOSE WIRES! WE'LL KNOCK THEM OFF!
JUMP, SPEEDY! THOSE ARE ELECTRICALLY CHARGED WIRES!
HA, HA! DAT GOT RID O' THEM, BOSS!
OKAY... NOW HEAD FOR THE HIDEOUT!

THE FAMED BOWMAN LETS FLY A STRANGE ARROW...
WATCH, SPEEDY... WE'LL HAVE THE LAST LAUGH YET!
THE NEWLY INVENTED FOUNTAIN PEN ARROW— CONTAINING A FLOWING BLACK FLUID WHICH MARKS A CLEAR TRAIL...
HO, HO! WE LEFT 'EM A MILE BEHIND, BOSS!
LATER, SEVERAL BLOCKS BEHIND, THE FAMILIAR ARROWCAR PURRS THROUGH THE STREETS, FOLLOWING THE TRAIL...
I'VE CALLED THE POLICE TO FOLLOW AFTER US—BUT WE CAN'T WAIT, SPEEDY! THAT BOY'S LIFE IS IN DANGER!
SO THE BOY'S LIFE IS IN DANGER, EH? LET'S LOOK IN AT PINCH FACE'S HIDEOUT...
C'MON, YOU! SPEAK UP! WHERE'S THAT FILM!
OOOH! LOOK AT THE GREEN HANDKERCHIEF STICKING OUT OF YOUR BAR!
WHAT?
DO YOU ALWAYS HIDE ACES UP YOUR SLEEVE, MR. DUKE?
NO WONDER DUKE ALWAYS BEATS ME AT CARDS! I OUGHT TA PLUG DA RAT!
HONEST, FELLOWS—
QUIT ARGUING, YOU FOOLS! THE BRAT'S STALLING FOR TIME! OKAY, KID... TALK UP OR I'LL BLOW YOUR HEAD OFF!
MY AMATEUR MAGIC SURE IS WORKING TODAY! WAIT TILL HE PULLS THE TRIGGER!

IN A BURST OF ANGER, PINCH FACE FIRES...
WHAT?? TOY PARACHUTES! NOT BULLETS!
BAM! BAM! BAM!
BOSS! DIS KID'S A WITCH! WE'RE GETTIN' OUT!
YOU RATS! LETTING A KID SCARE YOU!
THE TOY GUN I SLIPPED INTO PINCH FACE'S POCKET DID ONE TRICK! NOW FOR ANOTHER!
TAKING A SMALL PELLET FROM INSIDE HIS BELT, BOBBIE THROWS IT...
BOSS! WHAT'S DA KID DOIN' NOW?
POOF
I'M GOING TO TURN ALL OF YOU INTO GHOSTS! WATCH...
SLOWLY, AN INCREDIBLE CHANGE COMES OVER THE THUGS. THEIR BODIES GLOW WITH AN EERIE, LUMINOUS LIGHT...
LOOK! WE'VE TURNED WHITE!
DA KID D.D IT! WE'RE GHOSTS!
YOW! I'M DYIN'!
SUDDENLY, THE BATTLING BOWMEN ANNOUNCE THEIR ARRIVAL WITH TWO SINGING ARROWS ATTACHED TO A ROPE!
HERE WE ARE, SONNY! BUT IT DOESN'T LOOK AS IF YOU NEED ANY HELP!
DON'T LET THE KID AT US, GREEN ARROW! WE GIVE UP!
YEAH — SAVE US ... WE'RE DYIN' LIKE RATS!
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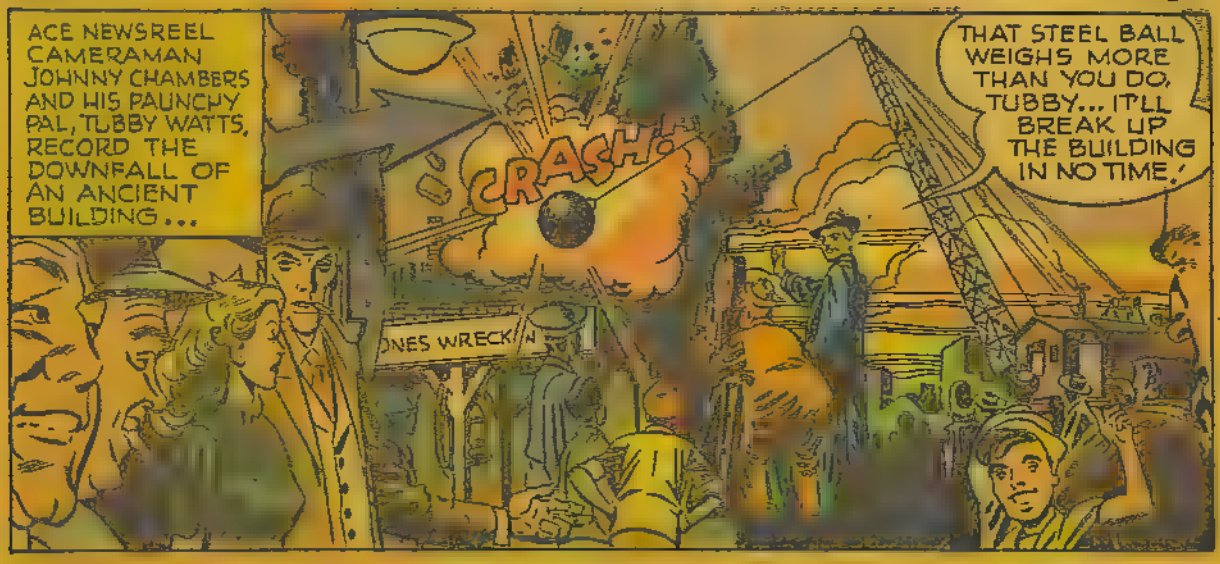
Johnny Quick
and his MAGIC FORMULA
THEY'RE SURE USIN' LIFELIKE DUMMIES FOR WINDOW DISPLAYS THESE DAYS, AREN'T THEY, JOHNNY?
THAT'S NO DUMMY! THAT'S THE SLOW-POKE CRIME RING—AND HIS GUN IS POINTED STRAIGHT AT US! —3X2(9YZ)4A—
CRIME RIGHT IN FRONT OF HIS EYES... AND SPEED CHAMP JOHNNY QUICK CAN'T SEE IT! INCREDIBLE? WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE HOW SOME CANNY CROOKS PIT THEIR SUPER-SLOWNESS AGAINST JOHNNY'S SUPER-SPEED! WHO WINS OUT? YOU'LL FIND THE SURPRISE ANSWER IN ... "The Slowpoke Crimes!"


ACE NEWSREEL CAMERAMAN JOHNNY CHAMBERS AND HIS PAUNCHY PAL, TUBBY WATTS, RECORD THE DOWNFALL OF AN ANCIENT BUILDING...
CRASH!
ONES WRECKIN
THAT STEEL BALL WEIGHS MORE THAN YOU DO, TUBBY... IT'LL BREAK UP THE BUILDING IN NO TIME.'

MEANWHILE, AS CURIOUS CHARACTERS CRANE THEIR HEADS...
THESE SAPS ARE MY BEST CUSTOMERS...

HEY, THAT'S MY WALLET... HELP! POLICE!
IT WAS YOURS, SAP... IT'S MINE, NOW!

OUT OF MY WAY, CHUMPS ... I'LL KILL THE FIRST COP THAT TRIES TO SEND ME BACK TO STIR.'

BUT AS THE SOUND OF TROUBLE REACHES THE ACE CAMERAMAN'S EARS...
HELP!
EKKEH!
PAKK!

AS SO OFTEN IN THE PAST, THE MAGIC FORMULA TRANSFORMS JOHNNY CHAMBERS INTO THE KING OF SPEED, JOHNNY QUICK...
I WARNED YOU SAP!
HE'S PULLING THE TRIGGER!
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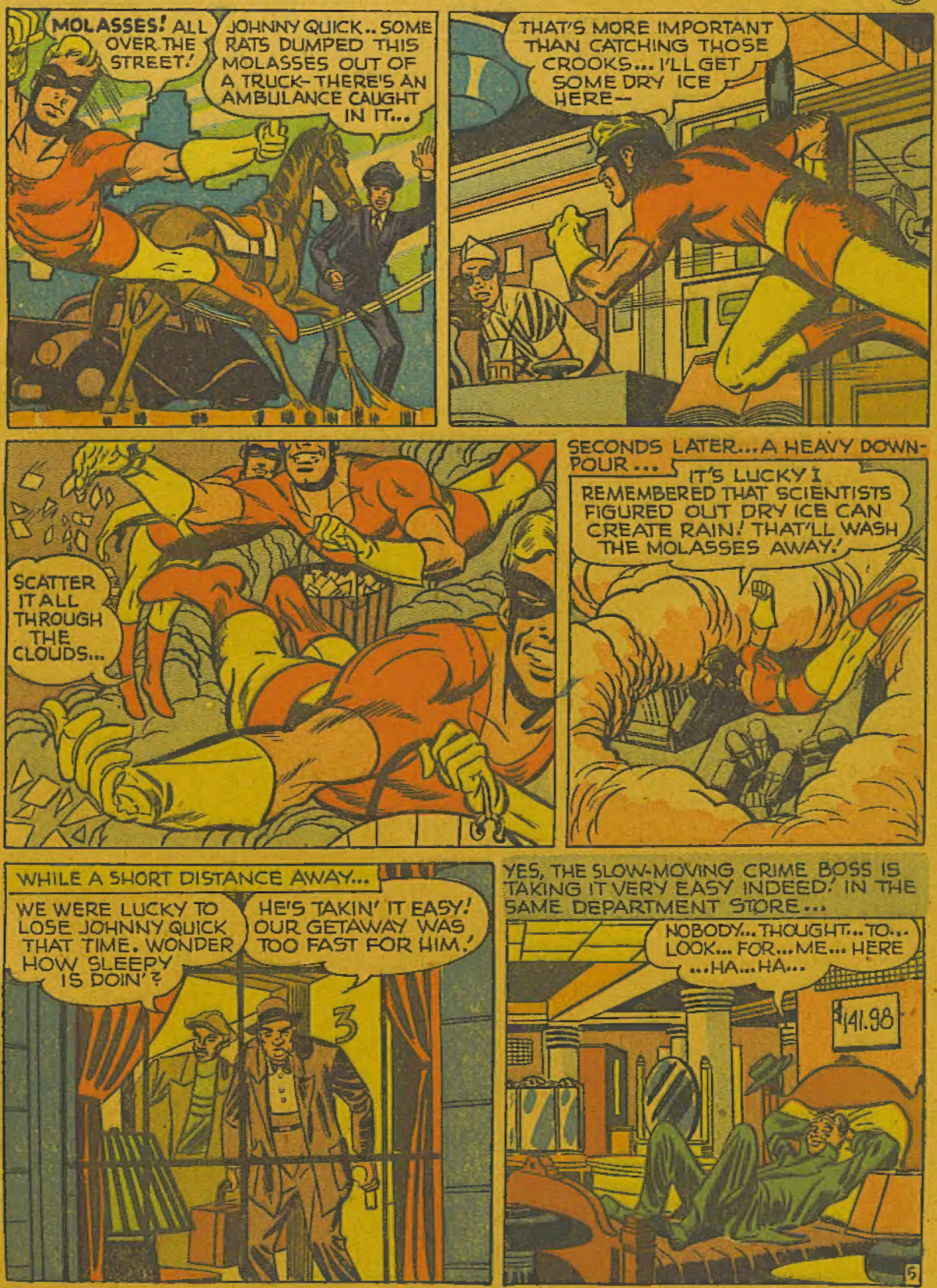
IN THE TIME-TICK IT TAKES FOR THE HAMMER OF A GUN TO ANSWER THE TRIGGER'S PULL, THE SPEED KING SNATCHES A NEWSPAPER AND...
NOW TO DEPOSIT YOU IN A NICE CELL!
YIII!
FROM A PARKED CAR, TWO INTERESTED SPECTATORS HAVE NOTICED THE INCIDENT...
DID YA SEE THAT, SLEEPY? RIGHT OUT OF NOWHERE ...JOHNNY QUICK! AND POOR LETTY'S FINISHED! THAT GUY'S SO FAST, CRIME AIN'T SAFE NO MORE!
YOU... JUMP...TO ...CONCLUSIONS ...TOO... FAST... SHIFTY!
GUY'S...FAST... MAYBE... WE... FOOL... HIM... BY... BEIN'... SLOW!
HUH-? THAT AIN'T POSSIBLE! YOU'LL HAVE TO SHOW ME!
AND SO, PRESENTLY, IN A DEPARTMENT STORE OFFICE...
DON'T... OPEN... SAFE... YET... ANSWER... PHONE... FIRST... TAKE... IT... EASY...
Y-YES, SIR, I'LL ACT NATURAL!
WHILE IN A DISPLAY WINDOW...
THAT DUMMY LOOKS ALMOST ALIVE! WONDER IF HE EATS?
YOU WOULD THINK OF THAT, TUBBY!

TOO BAD JOHNNY CHAMBERS DIDN'T TAKE ANOTHER GLANCE! FOR OVER A PERIOD OF MINUTES...
IT'S EASY BEIN' A LOOKOUT LIKE THIS! THE COPS ARE SAPS FOR THINKIN' I'M A DUMMY!
MOMENTS LATER...
SOMETHING'S GOING ON DOWN THE STREET-- COME ON, TUBBY!
WHEEEEE
THEY MOVED SO SLOWLY NOBODY KNEW A CRIME WAS GOING ON! THEY HAD A LOOK-OUT IN THE WINDOW!
THAT DUMMY—RIGHT UNDER MY NOSE, AND I DIDN'T SUSPECT! BUT MAYBE I CAN CATCH THEM— 3X2(9YZ)4A...
ONCE AGAIN THE MAGIC FORMULA TRANSFORMS JOHNNY CHAMBERS INTO JOHNNY QUICK, KING OF SPEED!
THEIR GETAWAY CAR DROVE OFF DOWN THIS STREET... IT CAN'T HAVE GONE FAR...
PRESENTLY...
IT'S THE WORST TRAFFIC JAM I'VE EVER SEEN—EVERYTHING MOVING SLOW AS MOLASSES—MAYBE THE GETAWAY CAR'S CAUGHT IN HERE!
HONK
HONK
BEEP
BEEP


MOLASSES! ALL OVER THE STREET!
JOHNNY QUICK.. SOME RATS DUMPED THIS MOLASSES OUT OF A TRUCK- THERE'S AN AMBULANCE CAUGHT IN IT...
THAT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAN CATCHING THOSE CROOKS... I'LL GET SOME DRY ICE HERE—
SCATTER IT ALL THROUGH THE CLOUDS...
SECONDS LATER... A HEAVY DOWN-POUR...
IT'S LUCKY I REMEMBERED THAT SCIENTISTS FIGURED OUT DRY ICE CAN CREATE RAIN! THAT'LL WASH THE MOLASSES AWAY!
WHILE A SHORT DISTANCE AWAY...
WE WERE LUCKY TO LOSE JOHNNY QUICK THAT TIME. WONDER HOW SLEEPY IS DOIN'?
HE'S TAKIN' IT EASY! OUR GETAWAY WAS TOO FAST FOR HIM!
YES, THE SLOW-MOVING CRIME BOSS IS TAKING IT VERY EASY INDEED! IN THE SAME DEPARTMENT STORE...
NOBODY... THOUGHT... TO... LOOK... FOR... ME... HERE ...HA... HA...
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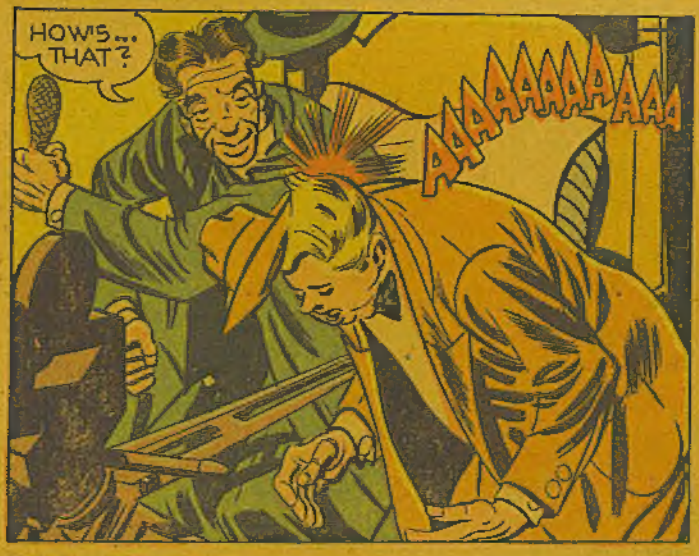
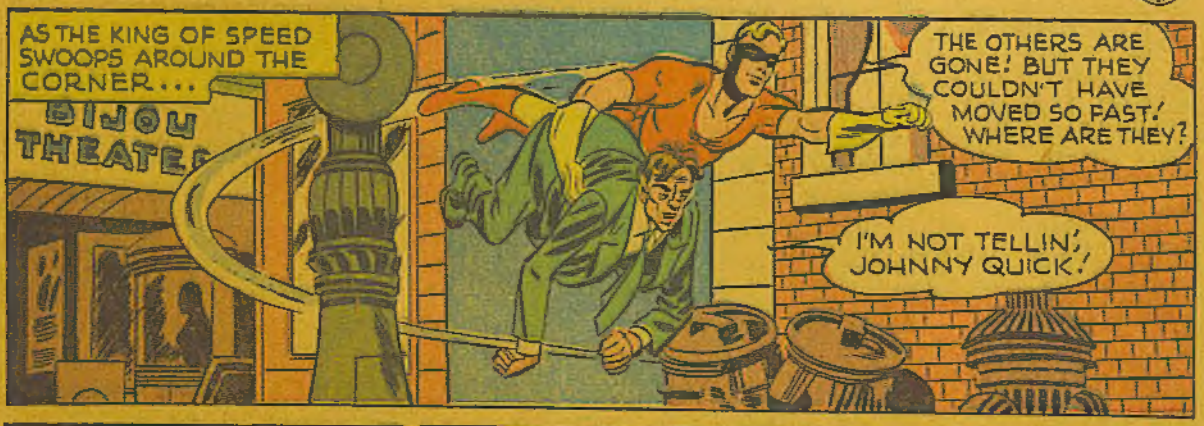


LATER, AS JOHNNY QUICK STARTS A SEARCH FOR HIS MISSING PAL...

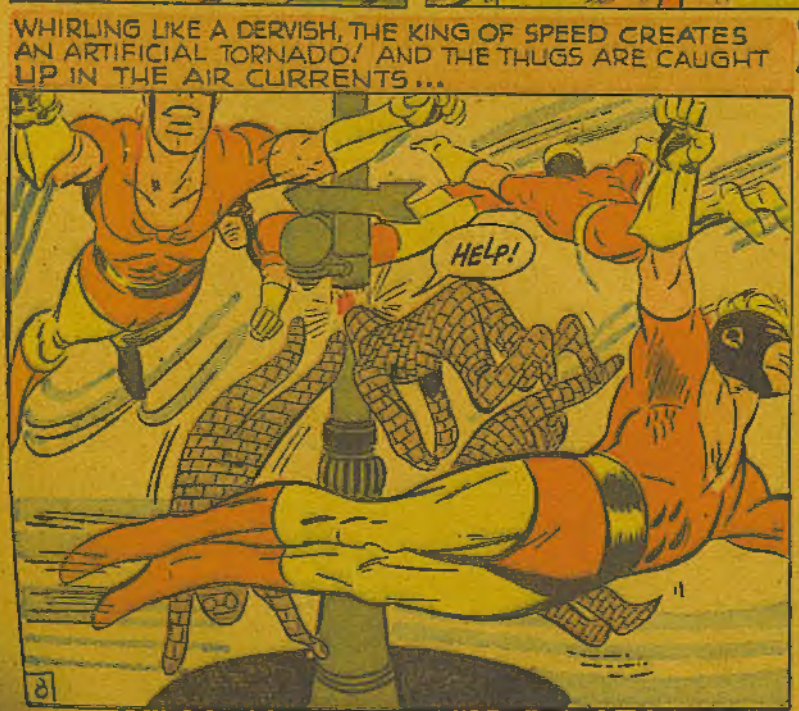
GOSH, IT'S IN CODE... IT MIGHT TAKE AN EXPERT DAYS TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IT MEANS.
MAYBE I CAN DO IT FASTER, TUBBY!
WORKING WITH THE SPEED OF A ROBOT CALCULATOR, JOHNNY QUICK RACES THROUGH MILLIONS OF POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS IN A FEW SECONDS! AND SOON...
GOT IT! SO LONG, TUBBY, GOT TO SEE A PICTURE! IT'LL BE ANOTHER SLOW-POKE CRIME!
MEET BOYS AT BIJOU THEATER... SLOW MOTION PICTURE SHOWING...
MEANWHILE, IN THE PROJECTION BOOTH OF THE BIJOU...
GOTTA SLOW THIS NEWSREEL DOWN TILL IT'S HARDLY MOVIN'— THE BOSS WANTS T'SEE THE DETAILS!
THESE... PICTURES... SHOW... FAMOUS... NECKLACE... BEING... PUT... IN... SAFE... HERE'S... CHANCE... TO... LEARN... COMBINATION...
BUT AS THE CRIMINALS ARE LEAVING...
GET SET FOR SOME FAST MOTION SHOTS, RAT!
JOHNNY QUICK!
A FAST POKE TO THE JAW FOR A SLOW-POKE! COME ON, WE'LL JOIN YOUR FRIENDS!


AS THE KING OF SPEED SWOOPS AROUND THE CORNER...
BIJOU THEATER
THE OTHERS ARE GONE! BUT THEY COULDN'T HAVE MOVED SO FAST! WHERE ARE THEY?
I'M NOT TELLIN', JOHNNY QUICK!

TOO BAD! THERE WAS SLOW-ACTING POISON RELEASED IN THE PROJECTION BOOTH! SOON YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO TALK! YOUR EARS WILL RING, YOU'LL SEE DOUBLE...
SLOW-ACTIN' POISON—HAW, HAW, YOU'RE KIDDIN'!

MOVING WITH THE SPEED OF SOUND, JOHNNY QUICK SETS THE AIR INTO RINGING VIBRATION—AND APPEARS TO BE IN TWO PLACES AT ONCE!
HUH-? I'M SEEIN' DOUBLE—I GOT A RINGIN' IN MY EARS...I FEAL WEAK IN THE KNEES! THE POISON MUST BE GETTIN' ME! GIMME THE ANTIDOTE.. I'LL TALK!

THE BOYS ARE AGAINST THE WALL... CAMOUFLAGED TO BLEND INTO THE PATTERN... HOODS OVER THEIR FACES! YOU CAN'T SEE THEM IF THEY MOVE SLOW!


WHIRLING LIKE A DERVISH, THE KING OF SPEED CREATES AN ARTIFICIAL TORNADO! AND THE THUGS ARE CAUGHT UP IN THE AIR CURRENTS...
HELP!

LATER...
THEY OUGHT TO BE SATISFIED NOW, TUBBY! TIME'S SURE GOING TO PASS SLOWLY WHERE THEY'RE GOING!
AND ONLY THREE MEALS A DAY—JAIL MUST BE TERRIBLE.
THE END